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1. The northern dock of the port includes four cranes, with a capacity of three metric tons, in very good condition and of recent construction. In the center of the dock there is a vault of brickwork and cement with a wide embrasure facing the entrance of the port; it would be possible to install a 100 mm. cannon in it. The dock is serviced by two railroad tracks adjacent to the warehouses, behind which there are two more railroad tracks.
2. The eastern dock of the port includes a crane larger than the above-mentioned one, also in very good condition, and is serviced by two railroad tracks.
3. The mooring point for military craft of small tonnage is located at the foot of the western dock. Near it is a building used as a barracks for about 300 military personnel, used by the Bulgarian Navy. On this dock there is a pipeline about 120 mm. in diameter used for unloading fuel to tanks, the location of which was not noted. The pipeline is above-ground and readily noticeable. At the head of the dock there is a gun emplacement for a 20 mm. machine gun and a hand operated winch to draw in the nets used to close the entrance to the port during the night. Outside the port area, to the north, there is another reinforced concrete vault and an installation for a telemeter.
4. Military craft in the port include the following:
  - a. Five formerly German motorbarges carrying drainage equipment and armed with one or two machine guns of 20 mm. caliber;
  - b. Two small sloops of war of about 100-150 metric tons, armed with a 76 mm. cannon and two machine guns of 20 mm. caliber;
  - c. Four formerly German sub-chasers on which torpedo launching tubes could be easily installed, armed with 20 mm. machine guns;

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- d. Four smaller sub-chasers, also armed with 20 mm. guns; and
  - e. A sloop of war, about 300 tons, armed with cannons and machine guns, observed at the entrance to the port.
5. At night the port entrance is blocked by nets.
6. The port of Burgas gives the impression of being a preeminently Russian port. However, among the population there are people who sympathize with the West and who live under a continuous nightmare for fear of deportation.
7. From Cape Kaliakra to Burgas, along the coast, there are a number of fortifications, but it is not known whether they are of recent construction or whether they were originally built by Germans.



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